

**COMBINED AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**

Serial No.: 09/429,939
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 Applicant: Authier
 For: Water Freeze Control
 For Hot Tub Spa

Examiner: Fetsuga, Robert M.
 Group Art: 3751

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This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 11/16/2005 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is for two months from 12/16/2005 to 02/16/2006.

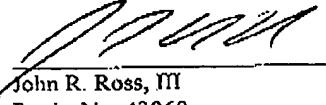
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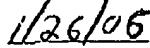
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TOTAL CLAIMS	13	21	0	X \$25.00	\$0.00
INDEP CLAIMS	3	4	0	X \$100.00	\$0.00
		FEE FOR AMENDMENT		\$0.00	
		FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME		\$225.00	
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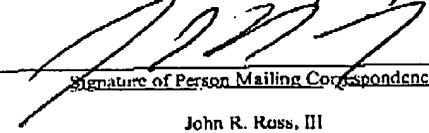
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Amendment

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Sir,

This letter is in response to Office Action dated 11/16/2005. Included with this response is a request for a two month extension of time. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.